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in Fresh Pond, Cambridge, Mass. (see Wood's Class-Book, 1874) and at Dallas, Texas (this Journal, 1872 p. 23). This station here makes the third east of the Mississippi, so far as I know. But one species has been found east of the Rockies, and another in California. Among the first notices of this plant is a communication from Braun to Dr. Englemann, published in Silliman's Journal, 1847; and one of the best descriptions with figure will be found in Meehan's Flowers and Ferns of the U. S., Vol. II.

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[*Marsilia quadrifolia* has been reported as naturalized and fruiting abundantly at Dedham, Mass., by Mr. Henry L. Clapp (See BULLETIN, viii., pp. 127 and 144). In Underwood's "Our Native Ferns and their Allies," pp. 114, 115, six species of *Marsilia* are recognized; all of which are reported from stations to the east and southeast of the Rocky Mountain region.—ED.]

### A New Species of *Potamogeton*.

POTAMOGETON CURTISSII.—Plant simple or occasionally branching, a little upwards of a foot in height; stem and branches slender; leaves all submerged, linear, 4-5 cm. long,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 mm. broad at the widest part, tapering gradually to a point, the midrib with two very delicate nerves or a loosely reticulated space on each side of it; stipules hyaline, obtuse, 7 or 8 mm. in length; peduncles 8-15 mm. long, somewhat clavate, erect, axillary and racemosely disposed, five or more of them at intervals of one or two inches along the upper part of the stem; flowers small, four or five; spikes capitate; fruit not seen.

Collected last May in the Blackwater river, Northwest Florida, by the indefatigable explorer of that State, Mr. A. H. Curtiss, for whom it is named.

Mr. Curtiss also sent what appears to be a peculiar form of *P. natans*. It has small, acute, elliptical leaves, 4-6 cm. long by 5-15 mm. wide, and erect peduncles about 6 cm. long. It looks exactly like specimens in the Torrey Herb., from India, which are labelled *P. natans* var.

Any botanist who may discover this apparently small *natans* in fruit, would confer a great favor by sending specimens to the writer.

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